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SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATION INITIATIVES ON TANKER SAFETY AND POLLUTION

PREVENTION

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- 1. ECONOFF MET WITH MFA LEGAL DEPT OFFICIAL KOLCHAKOV TO DISCUSS US IMCO PROPOSAL ON TANKER SAFETY AND OIL SPILLAGE PREVENTION. ALTHOUGH BULGARIA DID NOT ATTEND OCTOBER JOINT MSC/MEPC MEETING, KOLCHAKOV IS FAMILIAR WITH WORK OF IMCO AND WORKS WITH MIN OF TRANSPORTATION ON IMCO MATTERS. ACCORDING TO KOLCHAKOV, GOB HAS NOT YET DECIDED ON ATTENDING FEB IMCO CONFERENCE IN LONDON. HE PROMISED TO INFORM EMBASSY WHEN DECISION IS MADE. HE SAID HE DOUBTED THAT GOB HAD EITHER HAD TIME TO CONSIDER US PROPOSALS CAREFULLY OR WOULD TAKE A FIRM POSITION ON US INITIATIVES. HE FELT PERSONALLY THAT GOB WOULD HAVE LITTLE INTEREST IN MATTER SINCE IT DID NOT DIRECTLY AFFECT BULGARIA. KOLCHAKOV TOOK NOTE OF EMBOFF'S OFFER TO PROVIDE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON US PROPOSALS.
- 2. COMMENT: GOB DOES NOT YET HAVE STAND ON US PROPOSALS, BUT MIGHT BE INCLINED TO CONSIDER FAVORABLY US UNCLASSIFIED

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INITIATIVES. EMB WILL FOLLOW UP WITH KOLCHAKOV TO DETERMINE IF GOB WILL SEND DELEGATION TO LONDON CONFERENCE, AND IF SO WILL TAKE ADDITIONAL SOUNDINGS ON GOB ATTITUDE TOWARD US POSITION.

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